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Wisconsin's 2011-13 Executive Budget changed the starting date of tiered reimbursement for child care providers from July 1, 2011 to July 1, 2012. Tiered reimbursement will link the amount you receive from Wisconsin Shares to the quality of the child care you provide: higher payments for higher quality care and lower payments for lower quality care.

Starting one year later will allow you to prepare for tiered reimbursement. You will have more time to improve the quality of your program through participating in YoungStar.

Providers serving children birth through age five who have not applied for YoungStar are encouraged to apply immediately. School-age programs serving children age six or older can start applying for YoungStar early in 2012. Additional information for school-age providers will be available later this fall.

You are required to participate in YoungStar if you receive Wisconsin Shares payments.

For more information, go to the website youngstar.wi.gov or call 888-713-KIDS (5437).